Supreme Court of Kentucky

2020-05

ORDER

IN RE:

Authorization for the Case Triage Pilot Project and Establishment of the Case Triage Pilot Project Advisory Committee

Under Section 116 of the Kentucky Constitution and Supreme Court Rule 1.010, and upon the recommendation of the Civil Justice Reform Commission, the Supreme Court of Kentucky authorizes a pilot project to study the effectiveness of early categorization of civil cases and the use of case management tools tailored to the complexities of each case. The "Case Triage Pilot Project" will operate in the 27th Judicial Circuit (Knox and Laurel counties) and the 54th Judicial Circuit (Boone and Gallatin counties).

The purpose of the Case Triage Pilot Project is to streamline the resolution of civil cases through use of standard scheduling orders, early case management conferences, and telephonic scheduling and status conferences. The judges in the pilot jurisdictions will also encourage use of the Economical Litigation Docket Rules (Rules 88 – 92 of the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure).

To assist in the process of establishing best practices for the Case Triage
Pilot Project, the Supreme Court hereby creates the Case Triage Pilot Project
Advisory Committee. The Committee will be co-chaired by Judge Gregory A.
Lay, 27th Judicial Circuit, and Judge James R. Schrand, 54th Judicial Circuit.

The following individuals are appointed as the initial members of the Committee:

H. Philip Grossman Grossman Green, PLLC Louisville, KY

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The Committee is charged with making recommendations to the Supreme Court on all matters relating to the Case Triage Pilot Project including, but not limited to, rules of practice and procedure. The Committee is further responsible for creating performance evaluation forms to be completed by the attorneys and litigants in the Case Triage Pilot Project for submission to

the Administrative Office of the Courts, which will report the results of the evaluations to the Supreme Court.

This Order shall be effective upon entry and until further Order of this Court.

Entered this 23rd day of January 2020.

All sitting; all concur.

CHIEF JUSTICE